

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel all of claims 1-21, 23 and 24 from the application without prejudice and amend claim 22 as shown below.

1. – 21. (Canceled)

22. (Currently Amended) A container for storing a sample, the container comprising:
a base having a tope surface and a first end;
a receptacle extending upward from the tope surface of the base, the receptacle having an inner surface and a cross-section having a substantially circular shape,
a cover threadably engaging the receptacle and forming a fluid-tight seal therewith for confining the sample within the receptacle and inhibiting desiccation thereof,
a marking panel extending from the first end of the base, the marking panel having a substantially planar surface for receiving identifying indicia, and
a plurality of projections extending upward along and outward from the inner surface of the receptacle and upward from the top surface of the base, each of the projections having at least a first side, a second side, and a third side, the first side facing the inner surface of the receptacle, the second and third sides being substantially planar, the second side being oriented in a direction substantially perpendicular to the third side, the projections being shaped and arranged to inhibit a change in an orientation and a position of a human tissue sample positioned on the projection having a size and shape substantially mated to the size and shape of the region and the projections further comprising a removably attached identification panel comprising identifying indicia which identifies the human tissue.

23. – 24. (Canceled)